No. R. 39/2584 - B
Rehablitation Department.
Fourth Floor, M.B.B., etc. 19th March '51.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,
M. of R., NEW DELHI.

Subject:- Tagai loans to displaced agriculturists families settled on land.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to para. 6 of the proceedings of the Sub- Committee on Item(iii) 'Loans Schemes' of the Agenda for the conference of Rehabilitation Ministers held in New Delhi, from the 11th to 13th December 1950 and to submit herewith for the consideration of the Government of India detailed proposals for raising the amount of Tagai loans to be granted to displaced families who are to be settled on land.

The Scale laid down by the Government of India the grant of tagai loans per displaced family settled on land and amount sanctioned by this Government on various items under different schemes are as follows:

Item.	Govt. of India Scale.	Radhanpur Scheme	Vaghodia Scheme.	Patan Scheme.
1. Clearance of land.		150	---	Non recoverable expenditure of Rs. 15,000/- has been sanctioned.
2. Tractor ploughing.	---	210.	---	---
3. Purchase of bullocks.	600	300	600	500
4. Purchase of agril. implements.	40	40	40	100
5. Seeds.	50	25	50	100
6. Huts.	100	100	145	100
7. Cattle ~~sheds~~ Sheds	-	20	-	150
8. Fodder and repairs to wells.	75	-	75	
9. Carts.	6	60	6	
10. Woods loans.	252	252	252	200.
11. Charas and Lac.	45			

Total	1162.	157.	1162	1192.

It will be seen from the above table that all the items mentioned therein are essential forall those settled on land of tagai loan of Rs. 1,162/- per family is quite in adequate if funds are to be provided for essential items. It will be further noticed that the Government of India scale does not provide for land clearance and tractor ploughing. As the lands alloted to displaced persons in this state are mostly covered with thick jungles and considerable expenditure is required to be incurred on clearance and tractor ploughing before the land can be made fit for cultivation. The Sindhi Kisan Sabha an organisation of displaced persons settled on land in Waghodia District Baroda has represented even after clearing and tractor ploughing about Rs. 20/- per acre (i.E. about Rs. 200/- for ten acres to 11 acres oneach family to be spent on harrowing the lands so as to make them fit for cultivation. The Government rate for tractor ploughing in this state is about Rs. 30/- per acre. As against rate of Rs. 22 per acre which was inforced at the time whrn the Ratnagiri Scheme was sanctioned. This Government does considers it essential to allow atleast Rs.150/- for clearance of land and Rs. 300/- for tractor ploughing per family even if no provision is made for harrowing. As regards the other items the scale laid down by the Government of India would appear to be reasonable except that at present provision of Rs. 100/- may be allowed for purchase of Agricultural implements/provided. This Government would therefore propose that for all displaced persons to be rehabilited on land the tagai loan to be granted to each displaced family should be at least Rs. 1,632/- most as under.

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Serial No.	Item	Amount.	
1.	Clearance of land.	Rs. 150/-	
2.	Tractor Ploughing.	Rs. 300/-	Assuming a holding of 10 acres per family.
3.	Purchase of bullocks.	Rs, 600/-	
4.	Purchase of agricultural implements.	Rs. 100/-	
5.	Huts.	Rs. 100/-	
6.	Cattel sheds (one for five families.)	Rs- 20/-	
7.	Seeds.	Rs. 50/-	X.D. 31/5.
8.	Food Loans.	Rs- 252/	

9. Carts (onr for two families.). Rs. 60/-

Rs. 1632./-

In connection with our Waghodia Scheme, Sindhi Kisan Sabha has lodged a strong representation in respect of land clearance and tractor ploughing charges and requested that these be given as subsidy and not as loan; and the matter is under Government's separate consideration.

In this connection I am to invite attention to this Government letter No. 353/33758 - B dated the 14th September 1950 in which this Government has recommended that the food loans granted to the displaced agriculturist families settled on lands in Waghodia and elsewhere should be treated as being in addition to the Rs. 1,162/- sanctioned per displaced family. The food loans given to displaced families in Kalyan Camp before they are actually moved to their respective places of settlement will have to be in addition to the tagai loans now proposed. As some families in Kalyan Camp have been receiving food loans for more than one year past. If their food loans were adjusted against their tagai loans very little amount would be left with them which would make their settlement on land practically impossible.

Very early orders of the Government of India are therefore requested in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary to the Government of Bombay,

Rehabilitation Department.

Copy to the D. Of R., with reference to his letter No. RR /Accts / 362, dated the 19th January '51.

Secretary.

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